Financial allocation for health schemes in U.P.

*317. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial allocation made by Government for the State of Uttar Pradesh for implementation of various health schemes during the last three years, year-wise/scheme-wise/ district-wise;

(b) the achievement made, so far, in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) Government is implementing various disease control programmes in respect of major diseases like Malaria, Leprosy. TB, Blindness and AIDS. Financial allocations made to U.P. during the last three years are as follows:—

Allocation/Releases

(Rs. in lakhs)

	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
NAMP	547.11	541.11	540.44
NLEP	1417.10	1093.51	1282.50
NPCB	741.02	573.00	1615.00
NTCP	897.57	1695.07	836.10
NACP	851.00	1175.00	1465.65

District-wise allocation are not made under different Disease Control Programmes. In the case of AIDS, Blindness and Leprosy, grants are now being released to State Societies and expenditure is incurred as per approved action plan. This change is also being done progressively in the case of TB. Under Malaria, distribution of commodities to individual districts is done by the State Programme Officer as per requirement of the districts.

(b) Achievement made in U.P. under Disease Control Programmes are as under:—

1. NAMP: The Malaria incidence in the State has shown a decline during 2001 as against previous years. The Annual Parasite Incidence (API) during 2001 (Provisional) is 0.60/1000 population. The Annual Blood Examination Rate (ABER) is 1.78 during 2001 as against a target of 10.

2. NLEP: U.P. has 71931 cases of leprosy on record by March, 2001 and 70680 cases were under treatment. Prevalence rate by March, 2001 was 9.33/10000. Achievements against target for 2001-02 are as follows:—

Activity	Target	Achievements
Cases detected	29000	97895
Cases treated	29000	29000
Cases discharged	86500	67093

3. NTCP: Under RNTCP, annual case detection rate for the year 2001 was 136 cases per lakh population, as against a target of 135 cases per lakh population and new smear positive case detection rate was 57/lakh population, as against a target of atleast 50 cases/lakh population. The cure rate for new smear positive cases was 85% as against a target of atleast 85%

4. NPCB: 4,37,512 Cataract Operations were done up to February, 2002 against a target of 4,50,000 for 2001-02.

5. NACP: 44 STD Clinics 47 District Blood Banks and 27 Sentrinel Sites have been established in the U.P. State by March, 2002.

(c) The Union Government is helping the State Government by providing financial and technical assistance to control major diseases. A World Bank assisted health system development project with an outlay of US $ 110 million is also under implementation in the State to improve the rural health care infrastructure in the State.

NAMP: National Anti Malaria Programme

NLEP: National Leprosy Eradication Programme

NPCB: National Programmes for Control of Blindness

NTCP: National Tuberculosis Control Programme

NACP: National AIDS Control Programme.

Telecast of Urdu News by Patna Doordarshan

†*318. SHRI KHAN GHUFRAN ZAHIDI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Patna Doordarshan Kendra has been ordered by Government to increase the time duration of Urdu News from ten minutes to fifteen minutes;

(b) if so, whether Patna Doordarshan Kendra is complying with this order and if not, the reasons for delay;

(c) whether number of casual Assistant News Editors and Copywriters have also been reduced by Government; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and whether some orders in respect of increasing the number of casual Urdu News Editors and Clerks have been given again?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) All programme matters of Doordarshan including telecast of news comes under the purview of Prasar Bharati, an autonomous body, which is competent to take such decisions independently and Government do not interfere in such matters. Prasar Bharati has intimated that an order to increase the duration of Urdu News was issued. However, it could not be implemented due to shortage of staff and financial constraints.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.